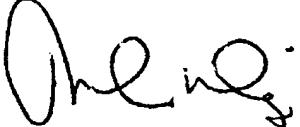
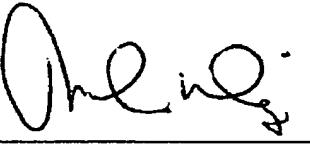


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Application Serial Number: 09/876,351 (CONF 9150)	Filing Date: 6/6/2001	Examiner: Piotr Poltorak	Art Unit: 2134			
Invention: Secure Inter-Node Communication						
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		0	\$50	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		0	\$200	\$ 0.00
Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>1/12/2005</u> to and through <u>      </u> , comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of: <input type="checkbox"/> one month (\$120.00) <input type="checkbox"/> three months (\$1,020.00) <input type="checkbox"/> two months (\$450.00) <input type="checkbox"/> four months (\$1,590.00)						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substantive office action response, Form PTO-1449, and copies of references attached. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required.						
8-31-2005 date		 Michael A. Dryja Reg. No. 39662				
I hereby certify that this Correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO, fax number <u>571-273-8300</u> on <u>August 31, 2005</u> , for a total of <u>THIRTY-THREE (33)</u> pages.						
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 11, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.